# FINANCIAL/ACCOUNTING WORKSHOP CITY OF HILLCREST VILLAGE MONDAY, APRIL 3, 2023

### 1. CALL WORKSHOP TO ORDER

The workshop was called to order at 6:07 PM by Mayor Tom Wilson.

The following aldermen were in attendance: Simoneaux, McGilvray, Izard

The following aldermen were absent: Mondragon, Smith

### 2. WORKSHOP ITEMS:

#### DISCUSS FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING AND CITY OFFICE SERVICES.

The council discussed our expectation from our accounting service and the need to prepare a letter of agreement to be entered into with our service firm.

The council's concerns include:

understanding the separation of work performed as our city office, by our accountant/bookkeeper, and by our city clerk

communicating clearly about the movement of monies between accounts

opening accounts for special projects

establishing clear spending procedures

receiving reports in a timely manner that will allow the council to make informed decisions regarding spending and budget allocations

receiving data in a spreadsheet-friendly format to allow for easy use

The council discussed the need a representative of the accounting firm to attend future meetings of the council to answer questions, as needed. Because, accounting is timeliness, we need up to date information that we understand.

The group also discussed water billing, dispatch for water and sewer help, groundskeeping, and permitting software.

Alderman Mondragon joined the meeting at this time.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Alderman Mondragon and Alderman McGilvray moved to adjourn the meeting. All approved	and
the motion carried. Mayor Wilson adjourned the meeting at 7:30 PM.	

Tom Wilson, Mayor

Attest:

Sarah Simoneaux, Alderwoman